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Commissioner of Patents
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Dear Sir:

This is a Reply to the September 12, 2005 Official Action for the above-captioned U.S. patent application.

A Listing of Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

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